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Understood. Thank you, Suzanne.

Best, R.

**From:** Suzanne Yohannan [mailto:suzanney@iwpnews.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 1:51 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Spill questions

Sure; here are my questions.

1. Gov. Hickenlooper (CO) is asking that EPA review the list of abandoned mines in Colorado and engage at those with greatest risk. What is EPA's plan for assessing other abandoned sites both in Colorado and across the country? Is EPA planning to do a re-assessment of these sites?
2. Are the EPA Regional offices receiving many calls and requests from people concerned that similar types of spills could occur in their states? If so, what is EPA's response?
3. Should we expect to see something from EPA headquarters to its regions on assessing these types of sites -- abandoned mine sites? If so, what type of advice is EPA headquarters giving its regions on this?
4. Is the Gold King mine incident having any kind of effect on EPA's creation of CERCLA financial assurance requirements for the hardrock mining sector?
5. Is this spill having any impact on policy for mine site cleanups, or funding for those cleanups?

I'm working on a deadline of this afternoon - 4 p.m. -- so whatever you can answer by then would be great.  
Thanks.

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Hullo Suzanne – and thanks to Julia for forwarding,

Please write me a message and send your questions. Happy to help.

Thanks, R.

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**To:** Daguillard, Robert; Suzanne Yohannan  
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Hi Suzanne,

For your Gold Mine related questions, Robert Daguillard is your contact. I have copied him above.

Robert, I copied Suzanne's general request below. Also, she had a question on the call last night that she did not have the chance to ask:

I've got some broader policy type questions regarding the Gold King, CO mine spill. Are you the one handling those kinds of questions? If so, I'll send them. If not, let me know who to contact.

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